

# FISCAL NOTE

## SB 2118

January 23, 2004

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Authorizes the Department of Labor and Workforce Development to conduct occupational safety and health inspections on local governments relating to discrimination against an employee that has filed a complaint or otherwise reported the local government employer to the Department of Labor and Workforce Development.

### ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

**Increase State Expenditures - Not Significant**

**Increase Local Govt. Expenditures - Not Significant**

**Other Fiscal Impact - The Department of Labor and Workforce Development states that without this bill the department could be out of conformity with federal law and could jeopardize federal funding received by the Department for occupational safety and health functions.**

Estimate assumes:

- the Department of Labor and Workforce Development will utilize existing staff and resources to implement provisions of the bill.
- a not significant increase in state and local government expenditures for possible litigation arising from the provisions of the bill.

*For information purposes, under the state Occupational Safety and Health Act (known as TOSHA), local governments must elect to be treated as private employers or develop their own programs of compliance with occupational safety and health standards.*

### CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James W. White, Executive Director

